

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 673

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to recognize Leslie Henderson on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Henderson is one such estimable person who served with distinction for ten years as President and CEO of The Roane Alliance and who recently announced that she will be taking a much deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, a member of the International Advisory Committee of the International Economic Development Council, Leslie Henderson was instrumental in bringing ten new industrial projects to Roane County during her tenure, including Volkswagen's new distribution center; and

WHEREAS, her efforts were noted by *Business Tennessee* magazine, where she was featured in their Executive Profile in 2006; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining The Roane Alliance, Mrs. Henderson served as Development Director under former Mayor Victor Ashe of Knoxville, where she oversaw the redevelopment of Market Square in downtown Knoxville and the implementation of a new downtown residential tax incentives program; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Henderson exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, in her retirement, she intends to enjoy time with her husband, Barry, their four children, and their six grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Leslie Henderson demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Leslie Henderson our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.